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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE –
EXAMINING GROUP 2176**

PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: 16869N-041900US

Client Ref. No.: NT0588US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Yuki Aoyama, et al.

Application No.: 10/066,405

Filed: January 31, 2002

For: DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT/EDI SYSTEM LINKAGE UNIT, DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT/EDI SYSTEM LINKAGE METHOD, INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM AND DOCUMENT PROCESSING PROGRAM

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Examiner: James H. Blackwell

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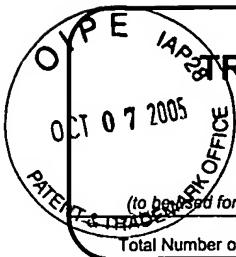
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.



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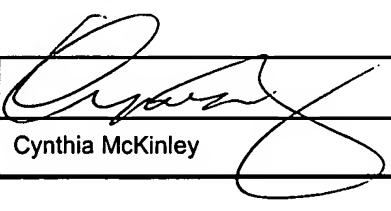
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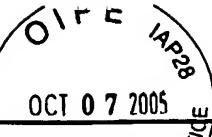
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FEET TRANSMITTAL**For FY 2005** Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$600)

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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent

Small Entity

Fee (\$)

Fee (\$)

Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

200

100

Multiple dependent claims

360

180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
9	-20 or HP =	0	x \$50 = \$0

Multiple Dependent Claims	
Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

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7	-3 or HP =	3	x \$200 = \$600

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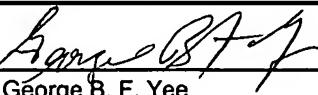
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